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Family ties

Past Perfect • Reported statements • Saying goodbye

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Match a line in A with a line in B.

A	B
John met Pete	every Thursday recently
They were working in Paris	for a long time in 1986,
They've been good friends	when they met
They play tennis	
They've been working together	

FAMILY REUNITED

Past Perfect

- 1 Look at the headline of a newspaper story. What do you want to know when you read the story? What happened forty years ago? Where are the parents? How did they meet?
- 2 Look at two versions of the story. Read them and compare them. Did you find the answers to your questions?

Twins reunite after forty years

A

Beth and David Taylor's mother died soon after their birth, and the twins didn't see each other for forty years.

They lived their whole lives with different families in different parts of the country. They both had cats called Tammy, they both studied languages at university, and they both married twice.

They found each other through an emotional Family Reunited. They enjoyed an emotional reunion at David's house in Brighton last week, and spent the day swapping stories about their lives.

'I didn't know I had a twin,' said Beth. 'but I always felt half of me was missing.'

David said, 'I always knew about Beth, but I don't know where she was.'

B

Beth Taylor and her long-lost twin brother, David, enjoyed an emotional reunion at David's house in Brighton last week.

Their mother had died soon after their birth and they hadn't seen each other for forty years and they didn't know I had a twin,' said Beth. 'but I didn't know I had a twin.'

They found each other through a website called Family Reunited, and spent the day swapping stories about their lives.

David had always known about Beth, but didn't know where she was,' he said. 'They had lived their whole lives with different families in different parts of the country, but found that they had both had cats called Tammy, they had both studied languages at university, and that they had both both married twice.'